

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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| <b>APPLICANT:</b>  | Cheng et al.                                  | <b>EXAMINER:</b>  | Menon, K. |
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| <b>FOR:</b>        | Perfluorinated Thermoplastic Filter Cartridge |                   |           |

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Sir:

**OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE**

In response to the Office Action mailed January 31, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as set forth herein.

Should the Examiner wish to discuss any of the amendments and/or remarks made herein, the undersigned attorney would appreciate the opportunity to do so. Thus the Examiner is hereby invited to call the undersigned, collect, at the number shown.

Respectfully submitted,

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